

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Original) A composition for the stimulation of collagen synthesis by human skin fibroblasts, said composition comprising a mixture of BMF and carnosine.
- ~~3-2.~~ (Currently amended) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the concentration of carnosine is about 1mM to about 100mM.
3. (Currently amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 or 2~~ claim 1 wherein the composition comprises about 0.1 to about 2.0% (w/v) carnosine.
4. (Currently amended) A composition according to claim 3 wherein the composition comprises about 1.0% (w/v) carnosine.
5. (Currently amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1 wherein the composition comprises about 0.01 mg/g to about 200 mg/g BMF.
6. (Currently amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1 wherein the composition comprises about 0.01 to about 1.0% (w/w) BMF.
7. (Original) A composition according to claim 6 wherein the composition comprises about 0.02 to about 0.2% (w/w) BMF.
8. (Currently amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1 wherein the BMF includes growth factors selected from the group comprising IGF-1, IGF-2, PDGF, FGF and TGF $\beta$
9. (Currently amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1 comprising additional growth factors, Vitamin A, vitamin C , vitamin E, dimethylsulfoxide, retinoic acid, copper-peptide complexes, alpha-keto acids, lanolin, vaseline, aloe vera, methyl or propyl paraben, and pigments alone or in combination.

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10. (Currently amended) A method for treating aged, photodamaged and damaged skin, said method comprising applying to the skin of a human in need thereof an effective amount of a composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1.

11. (Currently amended) A method for improving the aged appearance of skin, said method including applying to the skin of a human in need thereof an effective amount of a composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)